

REMARKS

The Applicant thanks the Examiner for allowing claims 9-25. Furthermore the Applicant thanks the Examiner for indicating that claims 2, 4, 7 and 8 contain allowable subject matter if rewritten in independent form.

A. Rewriting of Claims

In response to the Examiner's suggestions, claims 2, 4, and 7 have been rewritten in independent form. Because these claims were indicated to contain allowable subject matter, it is respectfully submitted that claims 2, 4, and 7 are in condition for allowance as amended.

Moreover, claim 8 depends from claim 7 that has been rewritten in independent form. Claim 7 is allowable and therefore claim 8 is also allowable because it no longer depends from a rejected base claim.

B. Claim Rejections

The Office Action rejected claims 1, 3, 5 and 6. Claim 1 has been cancelled and therefore the Applicant respectfully submits that the rejection is now moot. Claim 3 has been amended to depend from claim 2. Claim 2 contains allowable subject matter and therefore claim 3 is allowable because it depends from an allowable base claim. Claims 5 and 6 depend from claim 3 and are allowable for at least the reasons that claim 3 is allowable.

C. Conclusion

Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that all claims are in condition for allowance as amended. The Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the claims pass to issue. To facilitate the allowance of this application, the Examiner is invited to

telephone the undersigned attorney. No additional fees are believed to be due. However, if any fees are deemed to be necessary, please charge said fee to Deposit Account 23-3030, but not to include the payment of any issue fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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